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Fisher Lutheran Church

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Pastor: Carl E. Andersen

Organists: Vivian Erickson & Bonnie Knutson Custodian: JoAnn Baird

Parish Secretary: Andrea Marschall Cemetery Sexton: Reed Tinkham

Council Officers: Michael Marschall, President

Bonnie Knutson, Vice President Tami Byklum, Secretary

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A Word of Welcome

Welcome to the website of Fisher Lutheran Church. We're located in the northwestern part Minnesota, in the City of Fisher, about 10 miles west of Crookston and about 15 miles east North Dakota. We are glad you looked us up. Please stop by if you are in the area. We are I St. South. If you are new to the community, please join us for worship. You will hopefully fi welcoming and friendly congregation, seeking to grow in the love of Christ and to align our vision and our individual lives with God's dream for the world. A monthly newsletter may be church narthex which includes a calendar of events. We will be happy to include you on our so desire.

About the Congregation

This congregation was established in 1880 by Norwegian Immigrant settlers. The saints of C Lutheran have been making Christ known in the Red River Valley for 122 years. Our congre the Northwestern Minnesota Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). membership of about 290 baptized souls in about 120 households. We have a good mix of aged and young families. There was a time when farm families represented a majority of the Times are changing. Today, families actively involved in farming represent only about 10% congregation. The Sunday School has about 60 children, and our average worship attendan per week. Our worship style is fairly traditional, although we enjoy using a variety of liturgithe worship schedule alternates each week between 9 and 11am, and during the summer 18:30 and 10am. The reason for the alternating schedule is that Fisher Lutheran is together relationship with Bygland Lutheran. It's the way these congregations seek to be fair and eq other. Both are served by Pastor Carl E. Andersen who was called here in 1981.

In 2000 the congregation completed a momentous building program. A brand new facility v south end of the same block where the old church had stood for 118 years. We moved into new facility April 2, 2000. Some special items from the old church were saved and incorporie. the pipes from the old organ, the stained glass, the altar candelabras, and the baptisma congregation is enjoying its new facility a great deal. The land where the old church stood I for parking. The project is not yet complete. A few things still remain to be done: a free-state paving and lighting of the parking area; an outside sign; and some additional landscaping. Enhancement Committee is working diligently on these remaining pieces of the project. The in a bold and courageous way, declared its commitment to be here to serve future generationally, worshiping, witnessing, reconciling, serving body of Christ in this community.

Worship Opportunities Coming Up

Feb. 24 Worship at 9; Sunday School at 10a.m.

March 2 Sunday School at 10; worship at 11a.m.

March 5 Ash Wednesday Service at Bygland Lutheran, 7p.m.

March 9 Worship at 9; Sunday School at 10a.m.

March 12 Lenten worship at Fisher Lutheran, 7p.m.

March 16 Sunday School at 10; worship with Holy Communion at 11a.m.

March 19 Lenten Worship at Bygland Lutheran, 7p.m.

March 23 Worship with Holy Communion at 9; Sunday School at 10a.m.

March 26 Lenten worship at Fisher Lutheran, 7p.m.

March 30 Sunday School at 10; worship with an outreach team from Concordia College at 1

As an extra spiritual enrichment each week, you are invited to listen to Lutheran Vespers w Wangerin, Jr. It can be heard in our area on the following radio stations:

- KFNW Fargo/Moorhead 1200 AM at 7:30a.m. on Sunday mornings
- KNOX Grand Forks 1310 AM at 7:30a.m. on Sunday mornings
- KTRF Thief River Falls 1230 AM at 7:30p.m. on Sunday evenings

Storm Cancellations

To learn if there is a cancellation of worship or other church activities due to a storm or adv conditions, please tune to one of the following radio or TV stations:

- KYCK (97.1 FM)
- KNOX (1310 AM / 94.7 FM)
- WDAZ Đ TV
- KCNN (1590 AM)
- Z-104 (104.3 FM)
- KROX (1260 AM)

The Ministry at a Glance

In addition to offering opportunities for regular worship around Word and Sacrament, the co nurtures its members and serves the community and the world in other significant ways, su

- Sunday School is offered for children age 4 through high school, September through
- · Vacation Bible School is offered, usually in early June.
- A confirmation ministry is offered which includes preparation for communion particip. grade, a home study course of catechism memorization in the 7th grade, and confirm the 8th and 9th grades.
- The congregation is divided into Work Groups that are responsible for a month at a t as providing greeters, nursery helpers and readers for worship, and serving coffee fe lunches for funerals.
- A youth organization called the Luther League provides various services to the congr community. Youth often attend synod-sponsored events and sometimes go on trips a
- The woman's organization is called Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Arr engages in monthly Bible study, makes quilts and kits for Lutheran World Rellef, and various ministries and worthy causes. One of its favorite projects each year is a sprir
- Through the ELCA's Missionary Sponsorship Program, the congregation gives special Arden and Janna Haug who serve in Vilnius, Lithuania.
- The congregation encourages members to give a special gift at Thanksgiving to the E Appeal.
- Each family is encouraged to donate a blanket on Blanket Sunday in September. The

- Lutheran World Relief for distribution to God's most needy around the world.
- The congregation is a member of the Pathways Bible Camp corporation and encouraç Pathways' camps and programs.
- Adult study groups or Bible studies are available for those interested.
- Devotional materials are made available to all members: Christ In Our Home and The families with small children). These items are found in the narthex.
- A subscription to "The Lutheran" the official magazine of the ELCA is given to each as
- Our offerings support not only the ministry needs of the local congregation, but reach
 doing God's work through our synodical, regional and ELCA churchwide ministries an
 Lutheran Social Services, seminary training, global mission work, campus ministry, c
 development, disaster relief, etc.

Historical Summary of Fisher Lutheran

Historical Summary of Fisher Lutheran 1887 First worship services held in home of Grunde Fisher's Landing

1880 The Red Lake River Lutheran Congregation organized

1881 Materials for building a church bought for \$600

1882 Voted to have three months of parochial school each year

1883 Parsonage purchased for \$900 from Orie and Clara Whited

1885 Altar and pulpit built by Mr. Ecklund and land given for a cemetery by John Peterson

1897 Basement dug, church turned from facing north to west, entry and steeple added, chuthe Ladies Aid

1908 Sunday School began on a regular basis

1915 Stained glass windows installed, basement finished, church redecorated

1918 Moller pipe organ given to the church and installed in the balcony

1919 Parsonage extensively remodeled

1939 Name changed to Fisher Lutheran Church

1949 Church reconsecrated after extensive remodeling, including new pews

1957 Education wing built

1964 New parsonage dedicated

1965 Pipe organ renovations completed

1979 Church interior remodeled

1980 100th anniversary celebrated

1980 to 1987 Tentmakers hired in area of youth ministry

1990 Adopted amended Articles of Incorporation, Constitution and Bylaws

1990 Steel siding applied to the exterior of the church facility

1999 Congregation voted to build a new church facility

2000 Dedicated new church facility

2001 Demolition of the old church was completed

Synod Relationships

1905-1917 United Lutheran Synod

1917-1946 Norwegian Lutheran Church of America

1946-1960 Evangelical Lutheran Church

1960-1988 American Lutheran Church

1988 Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

Pastors

1880-1882 Hans Solstad 1920-1928 O.M. Stensgaard

1882-1889 A.C. Anderson 1929-1941 Hallvard Lie

1889-1892 Halvard Roalkvam 1941-1943 J.N. Dordal

1892-1904 Hans Skyberg 1943-1954 Carl Field

1904-1907 N.F. Kile 1955-1967 Clayton Engan

1907-1918 R.W. Peterson 1967-1981 Arne Carlson

1918-1920 P.E. Moen 1981-Present Carl E. Andersen



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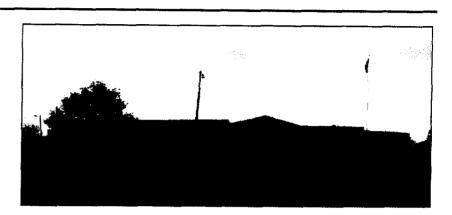
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313 Park Avenue Fisher MN 56723

District Office (218) 891-4105

High School Office (218) 891-4905

Fax (218) 891-4251



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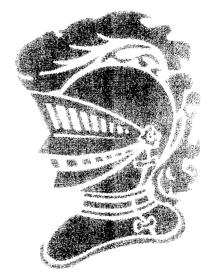
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Chess Club Announcement!



Daily Bulletin



September 3, 2004 SPORTS:



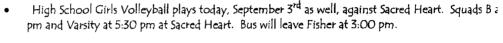
• Practice for Junior High Football will be in Climax from 4:00 to 6:00 pm. Junior High Volley's from 4:00 to 5:15 pm. All 7th and 8th grade volleyball players: please note that starting Tuesday, run from 4:00–5:30 not 6:00. Please be sure to tell your parents so they can plan accordingly. 4:00–5:15 due to the Varsity Game at Sacred Heart.



• Cheerleading practice in Climax from 4:00 to 5:00 pm.



 Varsity Football has their first game today, September 3rd, against Sacred Heart at 7:30 pm at School Field.





STUDENT INFORMATION:

Chess Club will meet every Friday from 7:00 am until 8:00 am in the float room beginning Septem 6:50 am at the Elementary entrance.



Students, if you have any changes to be made to your class schedule, please see Mr. Erie or Mrs. Kasow

Students, if you have not yet picked up your yearbook, please do so with Mrs. Hanson. Also, if ye yearbook from last year, there are limited copies left, cost is \$35.00.

"Glow Stick Necklaces" will be sold before and after school on Fridays by the 6th Graders. They will the elementary doors. Show that you are a Knight Fan by showing up at the football game all "glows." \$2.00. They will also be sold at all home games.

Coach Wardner has extra volleyball pants for sale! \$30 - size large are left. You can try them on first t

Student organizations need to sign up for the concession stand before all spots are filled. Please so School Office.

Junior High Band today in 7th period with Mr. Christianson. General Music will meet in the FCS room

Volleyball players grades 9-12: If you need to come back to Fisher after the Varsity volleyball matc office by <u>noon</u> today!

Knights News



September 7 - 11

Fisher High School

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Sports News

Volleyball:

Game Sept. 7 against Waubun in Waubun. Squad C at 5:00 pm. Bus at Fisher at 2:30 pm. Game Sept. 9 against Fertile-Beltrami in Climax. Begin at 5:00 pm.

Sept. 11 Ada-Borup Tourney in Ada at 9:00 am—A squad only. Bus in Fisher at 7:15 am.

Junior High Volleyball: Game at Sacred Heart on September 10th at 4:00 pm.

Practice Schedule: High School will be in Climax Sept. 6 from 5–7 bus leaves at 4:30 pm; Se 4–6. Junior High will be in Fisher Sept. 7 from 4–5:30; Sept. 9 from 4–5:30.

Football:

JVFB game Sept. 7 against W-E-M in Fisher at 4:30 pm.

JHFB game Sept. 9 against W-E-M in Fisher at 4:30 pm.

Varsity game Sept. 10 against Ada-Borup in Ada at 7:00 pm. Bus from Fisher at 4:30 pm. Practice Schedule: Varsity and JV will be in Fisher Sept. 6 from 6-8 pm; Sept. 7-9 from 4-6 pm; Junior High will be in Fisher Sept. 7 from 4-6 pm; Sept. 10 from 4-6 pm.

Cheerleading Tryouts will begin Tuesday September 7th in Climax. Contact Kate Nesvig 218

Student Information

- Chess Club will be meeting on Friday's between 7:00 and 8:00 am, beginning Septer the Elementary doors by 6:50 am. Meet in the float room.
- Fire Arm Safety classes will begin September 14th with registration starting at 6:30 pm Classes will run from 7:00 to 9:00 pm on September 14, 15, 16, 20, 22, 25. Class fel Hanson.
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Faculty Information

Climax has an opening for a Head Girls Basketball Coach. If you are interested please coaching application. You can pick one up from him, or he can e-mail the applications don't hesitate to call, 218-857-2385.

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Menu

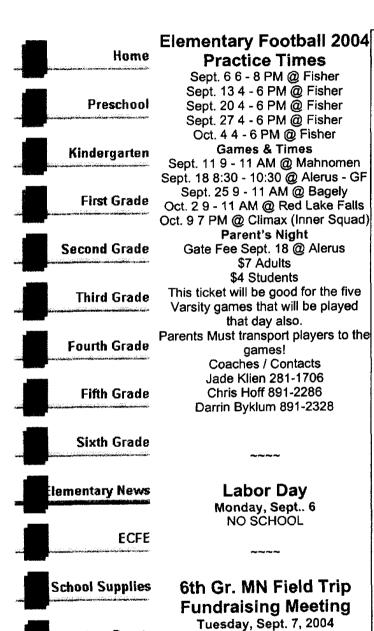
Tuesday: Pizza, baked potato with cheese or sour cream, and fruit Wednesday: Tomato soup or chicken & rice soup, Crackers, grilled cheese sandwiches Thursday: Chicken nuggets with dip, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans Friday: BBQ on a bun, hash browns, green beans, cheese slices

"All meals served with peanut butter & jelly sandwiches, lettuce, carrots, and a variety of milk.



Elementary News

September 3, 2004



New Playground Equipment

Students and Staff are overjoyed that the Fisher School Board voted to fund the playground project that was brought to them by members of the Playground Committee. The \$35,000 project is well on its way to becoming a reality! Only \$5,000 of the cost must be yet be raised by the Playground Committee. If you would like to help fund this fantastic project, please contact Tami Newhouse @ 891-4105.

The new system will include an

The new system will include an additional swing set and orbit climber along with a large unit that includes:

Grove Slide
Mogul Slide
Triple Flippo Slide
Big Kahuna Bridge
Serpent Trek
Fossil Bluff Climber
Climbing Pose
Cargo Climber
Suspension Bridge
Cliff Climber & Morel
See back of newsletter for
photos and diagrams.
Most of the current equipment

including the large unit, slide, merry-go-round and jungle gym must be removed to make room for the new system. If you would like to purchase any of these items at the low, low, bargain basement price of \$1, please contact the school.

Purchases must be removed at the buyer's expense within the next 7 - 10 days.

Glow Stick Necklaces

Show your "Knight Pride"

Buy a Glow Stick Necklace and be
a "Glowing Knight"
at all the Knight games
or just for the fun of it.
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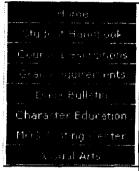
6th Grade Classroom
Please use the Elementary Entrance

ALL 6th GRADE PARENTS ARE

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ementary Sports

Character Education





Mission: The mission of our program is to provide a solid foundation for the acqueskills which will encourage the development of strong character in order for studenthe best choices throughout their lives.

Goal: Our goal is improved participation, behavior, social skills, and academic achievement for all students grades 7-12 at Fisher Public Schools.

Specific Goals:

- Fostering personal wellness
- Promoting skills necessary to make appropriate choices
- Supporting and enhancing personal and academic success
- Promoting improved peer relationships
- Teaching organizational/study skills and habits
- Promoting feelings of safety and value for all students

Program Motto: Build Character - Provide Opportunities - Expect Excellence

Character Education

One thing we need to know about character education is that it is an on-goin designed to teach students the skills needed to have strong characters in order to mappropriate decisions on their own. It will not be a "quick fix" for behavioral issue Instead, it is a forum to teach skills that will lead to more appropriate behavior.

The foundation of character education can be found in the 11 principles of character education and is based on the 6 Pillars of Character.

Eleven Principles 1

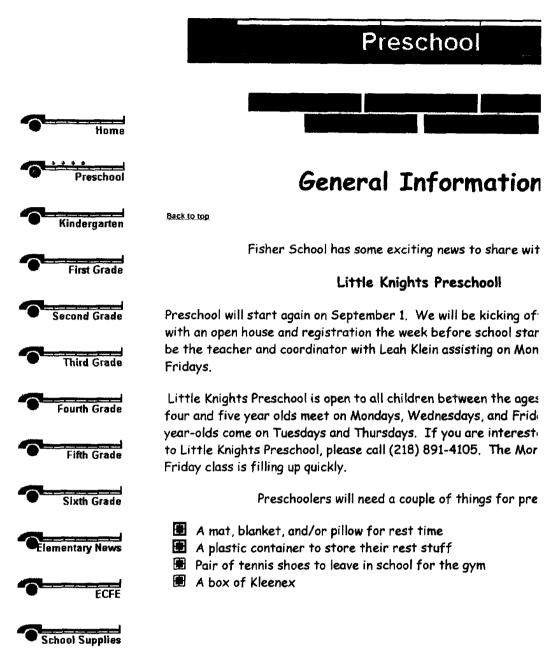
- Promotes core ethical values
- Teaches students to understand, care about, and act upon these core ethical value
- Encompasses all aspects of school culture
- Fosters caring school community

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- Offers opportunities for moral action
- Supports academic achievement
- Develops intrinsic motivation
- Includes whole-staff involvement
- Requires positive leadership of staff and students
- Involves parents and community members
- Assesses results and strives to improve

Six Pillars²

The core values taught by this program, along with many of the character exprograms across the country are based on the universal values of respect, responsibly trustworthiness, caring, fairness, and citizenship. These are called the six pillars of are defined by peoples feelings, actions, thoughts, and words.



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Little Knights preschool is \$14.00 a day. If the family qualifies fee is \$7.00 a day and if the family qualifies for free lunches th

Daily Schedule

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8:00	Arrival and Journal Time
8:20 8:40	Breakfast Circle Time S Morning Message S Calendar and Weather S Songs S Story
9:10	Open Center Time S Dramatic Play S Blocks S Manipulatives/Math S Puzzles S Writing S Art
10:00	\$ Sensory/Science \$ Reading Activity Time \$ Language Arts \$ Math \$ Science \$ Art \$ Handwriting
10:30 11:00 11:30	Gym/Outside Time Lunch Circle Time S Afternoon Message S Songs S Story
12:00 12:30 1:00 2:00	Rest Time Rest Time/Quiet Play/Video Open Center Time Activity Time

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2:30 Snack2:45 Gym/Outside Time3:20 Dismiss

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Exhibit 5 Brochures from the Fisher Chamber of Commerce



1870 FISHER'S LANDING - FISHER 1998 POLK COUNTY, MINNESOTA

Fisher's Landing was named for Mr. Wm. Fisher, a civil engineer for the St. Paul & Pacific Railway Company sent here to survey for the laying of the railroad track. It was a rough frontier settlement located on the banks of the Red Lake River. several blocks west and north of the present downtown site of the city of Fisher. It's location was determined by the landing of the steamboats that came down the Red and Red Lake Rivers. Originally, it was called Shirttail Bend because a shirt tied on a stick warned the steamboats of a bend in the river. Boats traveled regular routes between Fisher's Landing and Winnipeg. Because Fisher's Landing was the head of navigation, the railroad tracks were laid to meet the boat traffic there in 1875. The fertile land of the area drew settlers. James J. Hill, the railroad magnate, believed it warranted the building of the railroad to this point. The town flourished, but with no organized local government it was a wide open place with much liquor and gambling. With the extension of the railroad to Grand Forks, and the ever-changing river depths, river traffic declined and the village moved to it's present site...up the riverbank to higher ground.

In 1895 the population of Fisher was about five-hundred and fifty people, a figure that decreased for a number of years, but now, in 1998, is back to approximately five hundred. The closeness of Grand Forks and East Grand Forks to the west and Crookston to the east has made it difficult for the city to encourage business, but the small town life is appealing to young families and it has grown, with many new homes built in the last decade.

There are no remaining buildings or artifacts from the old Fisher's Landing...flood waters took their toll...but history books have recorded the importance of the terminus in those early pioneer days. A sign telling of this history is erected west of the city of Fisher on County Road #15 coming in from Highway 2. It is on the right side of the road approaching the bridge over the Red Lake River. One can stand there and look out at the heavily wooded area, which floods in the spring at high water time, and hear the whistle of the steamboat coming fround the bend, hear the toot of the wood-fired train engines and go back in time a hundred years.

Compiled by Arisen Wagner, Fisher, 1981 Polk County Historical Society Revised 1998

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Old Fisher's Landing in 1875. The steamboat "Manitoba".



Steamboat "Manitoba" docking at railroad tracks on banks of the Red Lake River, 1875.



Hotels and business places along the banks of the Red Lake River.



Welcome To Fisher

Fisher is located just off Hwy. 2 in the heart of the Red River Valley of northwestern Minnesota. A historical marker commemorating the old Fisher's Landing of the 1870's, the original townsite, stands on County Road #15 on the west edge of the town. This was a river and railroad town where trains from St. Paul met the steamboats and exchanged people and goods on the Red Lake River.

Fisher is a pleasant town with nice homes and well-kept lawns. The city is growing as the small town life appeals to many people. It has become a commuter town with new homes, multiple style dwellings and new businesses. The population is about 500 with a steady increase.

The people here are friendly and the city offers many advantages. Stop in and meet us!

Fisher Chamber of Commerce P.O. Box 158 Fisher, MN 56723

Welcomes You FISHER CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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